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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 08 December 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 08 December 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-18 are pending

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2.

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Roses (US 2003/0217137).

Regarding Claim 1,

Rose teaches a method for managing the display of sensitive content in non-trusted environments, comprising the steps of:

interrogating a list of policies associated with a given user and a physical device

(Fig. 4, Is User Authenticated to Access Requested Information?, Step 425);

determining a location of the physical device; *(Fig. 4, Identify Location of Device*

Associated with Querying User, Step 415)

comparing the location of the physical device with a list of trusted locations;

("With the received location information, system 100 authenticates that the physical location of the client device is in a permitted and authorized location for access to the requested network resources" Paragraph [106])

and enforcing a plurality of rules contained in the policy, wherein access to sensitive information is limited or restricted based on the location. *("If system 100 determines that the location is not verified, system denies access or restricts access according to predefined policies (e.g. deny any access or restrict access to only those devices...available to the general public" Paragraph [0111])*

Regarding Claim 2,

Roesse teaches the method of claim 1, wherein the method further comprises the step of providing a reminder to the given user in response to an attempt to access sensitive information on the physical device. *("a user seeking access to system 100 can first be authenticated...system 100 achieves this portion of the authorization process by requiring the end user at a location client device to supply certain user information" Paragraph [0105])*

Regarding Claim 3 and 4,

Roese teaches the method of claim 1, wherein the method further comprises the step of requesting authentication from the given user in response to an attempt to access sensitive information on the physical device, wherein the step of requesting authentication comprises at least one among requesting provision of a unique password for the given user, a unique accessing device, or a unique biometric characteristic of the given user. (*"a user seeking access to system 100 can first be authenticated...system 100 achieves this portion of the authorization process by requiring the end user at a location client device to supply certain user information...including one or more passwords" Paragraph [0105]*)

Regarding Claim 5,

Roese teaches the method of claim 1, wherein the step of determining a location comprises the step of using at least one among a global positioning system and a terrestrial wireless infrastructure system to provide the location of the physical device. (*"In one example. System 100 permits requested access from devices having pre-approved location identifying equipment...this can include a GPS receiver" Paragraph [106]*)

Regarding Claim 6,

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Roesse teaches the method claim 1, wherein the step of enforcing comprises at least one among blacking out a display, replacing the sensitive content with innocuous content, prohibiting access to the content, and hiding the content from the given user. (*"If system 100 determines that the location is not verified, system denies access or restricts access according to predefined policies (e.g. deny any access or restrict access to only those devices...available to the general public" Paragraph [0111])*)

Regarding Claims 7-12,

Roesse teaches a system which inherently has a memory and a processor. Roesse further teaches a GPS as part of the system, GPS units inherently have displays. Claims 7-12 implement the method of claims 1-6 on a system 100 in Fig. 1. As such Claims 7-12 are rejected for the same rationale as claims 1-6.

Regarding Claims 13-18,

Roesse teaches a machine-readable storage, having stored thereon a computer program having a plurality of code sections (*"System 100 employs both hardware and software (e.g. an application executing on server 134) to provide location-aware services described below. Paragraph [0028])* executable by a machine for causing the machine to method as described in Claims 1-6, as such, Claims 13-18 are for the same rationale as Claims 1-6.

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3.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Harris C. Wang whose telephone number is 5712701462. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8-5:30, Alternate Fridays Off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, AYAZ R. SHEIKH can be reached on (571)272-3795. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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